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The dollar that you spend at HOME may return to you. Think it over, Mr. Business Man. This applies to you as well as the small fry.

## AMENDMENT PROVIDES WAY

Big Damage Claim to Be Filed in Local Court To-Morrow Against State

In Behalf of the Land Owners on South Side of Reservoir and Along Beaver.

Ex-Prosecuting Attorney John G. R. and Attorney I. F. Raudabaugh and S. S. Scranton will to-morrow file damage suits against the State of Ohio in the Common Pleas Court of this county, on behalf of land owners on the south side of Lake Mercer and along sluggish Beaver, praying for damages aggregating \$35,000, caused by high water from Lake Mercer and her tributaries.

The suits will be among the first filed against the State since the taking effect, on January 1, of the new constitutional amendment permitting suits to be brought against the State without permission from the State Legislature.

Some very interesting facts will be gleaned from the petition. The chief cause of action will be a question as to whether the State has the right to store water here for other than canal supply purposes. This will also bring into dispute the question of the right of the State to sell portions of the reservoir and canal right-of-way without a permit from the national Congress.

This question arises over the form of grant given by Congress to the State of Ohio for the use of the land used for the canals and the supply or storage reservoirs.

The petition has been partly drawn from old records, dating back to 1825.

### Raymond Studer Opens Plumbing Shop

Raymond Studer, who a year or more ago was an employee of Yingling, the plumber, in this city, has opened up a shop on his own account in the building recently vacated by Frank VanWormer, the veteran shoe-maker, on South Main street. Raymond, who has been in the south the past year following his trade, will no doubt make a success at his new undertaking. He is fully equipped to do all kinds of work in the plumbing line, and though a young man, has had several years' experience in the business.

## Bunched News Paragraphs

Kiamil Pascha, deposed grand vizier of Turkey, died in Alexandria, Egypt, at Washington, Ind. Theodore T. Jones, treasurer of Davies county, killed himself.

The bill to create a department of labor with a cabinet officer at its head passed the senate.

Rev. J. W. H. Morrison, 76, oldest licensed minister of the Central Ohio conference, is dead at Findlay, O. John Walsh, 27, a New York plasterer, was caught under a pile of sand in the rear of a new building and smothered to death.

Loss Wollver, charged with being one of the six men who robbed the Munn bank at Portage, O., Nov. 19, was arrested at Milwaukee, Wis.

Illinois miners in state convention voted in favor of giving the striking miners of West Virginia \$900,000, if necessary, to aid them in their struggle.

Samuel S. Sneyd, treasurer of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, committed suicide in the cellar of his home at Woodbury, N. J., by shooting.

Overwork.

Senator LaFollette's railroad physical valuation bill was passed by the senate without rollcall.

At Huntington, Pa., Mrs. Howard Fisher and her three children were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home.

Taylor Davis, 65, farmer, is dead at Norristown, O., from blood poison, resulting from a cold biting him on the ear.

Three small children were cremated and their mother probably fatally burned in a fire which destroyed the home of Hubert Slough at Oakley, W. Va.

At Springfield, O., the court overruled the motion for the defense for a change of venue in the case against Arthur B. Smith, who is charged with having poisoned his wife.

John Beal Sneed, a wealthy west Texas ranch owner, was declared not guilty of the murder of Al Boyce, Jr., at Amarillo, Tex., last September. Boyce had eloped with Sneed's wife.

Paul F. Ashton, 18, accused slayer of Samuel Meeks, civil war veteran, at Lima, O., entered a plea of not guilty when arraigned in municipal court on a charge of murder. He was bound over.

Guayaquil, Ecuador, was violently shaken by a long earthquake. The tremor lasted about 70 seconds.

Plant of the Warren (O.) Tank and Boiler company was totally destroyed by fire. The loss will exceed \$200,000.

Vandals wrecked a \$25,000 mausoleum in Riverview cemetery owned by Harry J. Stockle, a millionaire brewer of Wilmington, Del.

Followers of Nazim Panha, former minister of war, who was assassinated at Constantinople, attempted to kill Colonel Sadik Bey, founder of the Turkish Officers' league.

## MERCER COUNTY MUCH IN EVIDENCE IN CINCY

[Cincinnati Enquirer, February 23.]

The Twentieth Ward Democratic Club last night held its regular monthly meeting. Byron CienDenning addressed the club on "The Value of Organization." The officers for the ensuing year, being sworn in by Mr. CienDenning, immediately assumed their respective duties. They are: President, Vincent H. Beckman; Vice President, John Cook; Secretary, Ben Woeste; Financial Secretary, George Keim; Treasurer, Theodore Hollenbeck; Board of Governors, Stephen McGrath, Charles Vorbach, E. Imbus and John Egan; Sergeant-at-arms, Michael O'Connor. The club is making large gains. At this meeting 50 new applications were received. Many of those present expressed the intention of attending the inauguration at Washington on March 4.

## SHOWING THE MAN FROM MISSOURI

Robert Adams, employed on a dredge near Carrollton, Mo., arrested there last week and brought back here by Officer Hight last Saturday on a charge of non-support, filed by his wife, Stella Adams, residing west of this city, was arraigned before Squire O. J. Myers Monday afternoon. He waived examination and was bound over to court in the sum of \$500. Unable to furnish bond until Wednesday evening, he spent the intervening time in the custody of Sheriff Fisher in the county jail.

## PANDORA GETS LEASE ON PROPERTY

At the regular meeting of Council last Tuesday night, with all members present but Wintermute, and with Mayor Miller presiding, the council agreed to lease the Musselman factory building on Warren street, to the Pandora Overall Co. for a period of five years. The stipulations of the lease are that the company pay all insurance, taxes, up-keep, etc. of the building, and employ thirty people in the factory. The lease is gratis.

Attorney J. D. Johnson was re-employed as city solicitor for a term of two years, at an annual salary of \$300.

The contract for printing the Village Clerk's report was awarded to the Standard at their bid of \$99.75.

## DOWN ALONG THE WHAWASH

[Ft. Recovery Tribune.]

Dick Wiley says Jim Johnson used to hold the championship for telling the biggest yarn, but one day he undertook to tell one to Dave Loughbridge and choked—he just handed the belt over to Dave who has worn it ever since.

Geo. Kettering said "A Bachelor's Romance" was wrongly named. When he tried to gain admission he was turned down at the door. His life was that "A Bachelor's Romance" ought to be for bachelors.

## FOUR CABINET MEN NAMED FOR PLACES

By Governor Wilson Said to Be Bryan, McAdoo, Daniels and Burleson.

Washington, Feb. 28.—It was stated positively in high congressional quarters closely identified with the incoming administration of President Wilson that the following cabinet appointments had been definitely determined upon:

Secretary of state, William J. Bryan of Nebraska; secretary of the treasury, William G. McAdoo of New York; postmaster general, Albert S. Burleson of Texas; secretary of the navy, Josephus Daniels of North Carolina.

The foregoing names and positions are said to have advanced entirely beyond the stage of conjecture or gossip and become finalities in the forthcoming cabinet list. Other places in the cabinet are said to be reasonably settled, with the exception of the portfolios of war and agriculture.

Colonel George W. Goethals, chief engineer and chairman of the Panama canal commission, is under consideration for secretary of war.

## EXTENSION B.G. & C. IS BEING REVIVED

Attempt to Sell Stock to Finance Enterprise to Be Made—Route Proposed.

A. G. Briggs, of Geneva, Ind., has been in this city the past week, endeavoring to interest the people of Celina and vicinity in the extension from Geneva to this city of the Bluffton, Geneva & Celina traction line.

Mr. Briggs would like to sell enough of the company's stock to finance this end of the proposed extension.

We have not yet learned what success has met his endeavors.

[Portland (Ind.) Sun.]

Announcement of the proposed extension of the B. G. & C. traction line from its present eastern terminal at Geneva to Celina, Ohio, has again been made, provided of course, the necessary finance can be secured. As proposed the present plan will take the road through the town of New Corydon and a meeting is to be held at that place the first of the week when an effort will be made to interest farmers. By building the road through New Corydon this route will also include Skeel's Cross Roads and Durbin. It is said that Spriggs Bros., of Wabash, Mercer county, where they operate a general store and are engaged in contracting, have the right of way already procured if it will go through the place of their headquarters. The idea of the company is to sell stock to the farmers along the right-of-way and issue bonds for the balance of the cost.

## STATE DEPARTMENT GETTING WISE

N. J. Weisend, assistant counsel in the office of Attorney General Hogan, was in this city Wednesday going over the records relative to the location of lands on the south side of the reservoir and along Beaver, in connection with big damage suits expected to be filed in behalf of certain Mercer County farmers for loss of crops.

The commission appointed by the defunct Board of Public Works to investigate and decide the merit of the claims, will meet in this city at 10 o'clock next Monday morning to fix a date for hearing the claims. The commission consists of J. H. Herst, of Lima; John H. Koch, of Ohio City; and John Wright, of Delphos.

## LOOK OUT NINE WINDOWS

[Bryan's Commoner]

Vincent Astor, the young multi-millionaire, recently passed a night at the governor's house at Albany. He wanted to talk to the governor about the subject uppermost in his mind—the question that ought to be uppermost in the mind of every young man—"how to be a useful man." Governor Sulzer tells of his conversation with young Astor in this way:

"I told him he was living in a house with only one window, that he was looking out of that window every day and his views were consequently limited and contracted. I said, 'I am going to put nine windows in your house. You can look out of each of these windows with me and you will get a perspective. After you have looked out of all the windows, select the view you like best, and the field wherein you think you can be the most useful, and then go to work and do something for your fellow man. He spent some time looking out of these windows, and he didn't seem to take much interest in any of them until I went to the agricultural window, and the moment he looked out of it, he said, 'That is my field, that is what I would like to do. I have one of the finest in the state of New York down along the Hudson river. My father never did anything with it. I am going to make that farm an experimental farm along with the other lines, and everything I do there will be told to the people of the country.'"

How many young men are "living in a house with only one window?" None of them have money as Vincent Astor has, but every one has opportunity equal with young Astor's opportunity. One popular writer gave the world a sentence that ought to be posted in every nursery as well as in every counting room, and every work shop in the land, when he wrote: "Even in the life that is ordinary, the part that is done for God is extraordinary."

So many men with money are wasting their opportunities and going through a career of idleness that Vincent Astor's determination to become a useful man is worthy of more than ordinary comment. With millions of dollars at his command, he will be able to render great service, but with all his millions he can't render any more service than that which just what he says. This is absolutely the last chance.

"BIG PETE" SCHUNCK.

Sale Is Postponed

On account of so many people paying up and so many promising to pay within the next two weeks I have decided to postpone the sales of accounts until the first week in April. So it will give you all a chance to settle either with money or note. "Big Pete" says he means just what he says. This is absolutely the last chance.

"BIG PETE" SCHUNCK.

## NOT A SOLITARY VOTE AGAINST IT

Green Compulsory Compensation Bill Enacted Into Law—Is a Far-Reaching Measure.

Goes Into Effect the First of Next Year and Affects All Ohio Industries and Workmen—Semi-Monthly Paydays For Employees of Railroads and Corporations—Doings of the Legislature.

Columbus, O., Feb. 27.—Sitting beside Speaker Swain, Senator William Green joyfully watched the house duplicate the action of the senate and pass the compulsory compensation bill by unanimous vote. All members who were present voted for the Green bill and only two, Mr. Holl of Auglaize and Mr. Appenzeller of Darke, were absent.

The official record will show not a single senator or representative voted against this most far-reaching measure in its effects on Ohio industries and laborers which will be passed this session. The passage of the bill was just within six months of the vote by the people of the power to pass it.

## Young Girl Meets With Bad Accident

Miss Rosa Bodkin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bodkin, East Market street, slipped and fell last Saturday night, striking her head on the left side and fracturing the ankle bone. Dr. Cordier was called and placed the disabled member in a cast. The young girl is suffering considerably from the injury, and it will be several weeks before she will be able to be about.

## CUPID'S VICTIMS

The announcement comes from Lima of the marriage in that city of two well known people of this county on the 19th inst., when Arizona Bennett, of Franklin township, and Miss Orla B. Yancy, of Butler, were wedded in that city. Rev. T. Weyer performing the ceremony. Mr. Bennett is a son of ex-Commissioner and Mrs. H. B. Bennett, of Monticuma, and a teacher by profession. The bride is a daughter of John H. Yancy, of Butler township. Both have a host of friends, and The Democrat joins them in extending felicitations.

## ASKS JUDGMENT AGAINST ZENZ CITY MAN

S. L. Weiler yesterday afternoon filed suit against John Zenz asking judgment on notes in the following sums: \$38, with interest from February 3; \$190, with interest from February 10, and \$60 with interest from February 25.

The Geddes-Brown Shoe Co., of Indianapolis, Ind., yesterday afternoon also filed a suit against John Zenz, asking for judgment in the sum of \$370.73, with interest, claiming that amount due on a bill of goods sold defendant during the last six months of 1912.

## Extra Session April 1

President-Elect Wilson After Due Consideration Names the Date.

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 25.—President-elect Woodrow Wilson announced that the extra session of congress would be convened on Tuesday, April 1. The governor declared that he had arrived at this decision as a result of a letter received from Representative Underwood, Democratic house leader. Tariff and currency reform will be taken up.

## LOCAL BREVITIES

Genial Jim Coughlin, of Ft. Recovery, was in town Saturday boosting his Excelsior Auto Cycle, for which he wants a Celina agent.

Mrs. M. E. Johnson, J. S. Kohn and C. S. Hale will entertain the ladies aid society of the M. E. Church at the church parlors this afternoon.

The Van Wormer shoe shop has installed machinery in its new quarters on West Fayette street for the purpose of finishing, half-soleing and healing shoes while you wait.

The ladies' aid society of the Bethany Evangelical church will hold an all day market-to-morrow in the room formerly occupied by the Ellis ice cream parlor, opposite the court house.

Wm. Miller, an employee of the Specialty Works, had the end of his index finger cut off, when he caught it in a machine last Friday. Dr. Brumm was called and dressed the wound.

Ex-Probate Judge P. F. Dagan left Wednesday afternoon for Washington, D. C.; New York City, and other eastern points. He will witness the inauguration of Governor Woodrow Wilson to the Presidency next Tuesday.

A. J. Fisher, the well known Liberty township auctioneer, made this office a friendly call last week on his way home from Auglaize county, where he cried a big public sale of stock and farming implements.

Sheriff Shell M. Fisher last Friday purchased the Murphy properties on East Livingston street, sold at administrator's sale. Consideration \$3,010. The properties are finely located and are considered a bargain.

Henry Post, of Skeels X Roads, was in this city Tuesday on his way home from Cincinnati. He was accompanied by his son, who recently underwent an operation at a hospital in the Green City for the removal of adenoids. The young man is doing nicely.

## THE GRIM REAPER AN AGRICULTURAL FEATURE FOR BOYS

To Supplant Educational Exhibit of Banner Fair—Lack of General Interest in Letter.

[S. J. Vining, Secretary of Banner Fair]

The Mercer County Agricultural Society for a number of years has given an educational display at the fair. It has been impossible to get but very few teachers in the county to take and interest in the matter, they have finally concluded to discontinue the Educational exhibit for the year 1913 and in its place will be given a chance to every farm boy under twenty years old in Mercer County to take a three days' trip to the State Fair, free of all expense to him.

Full particulars will be published in all county papers in the near future. Boys watch for it and then set your cap to win one of the prizes that will give you an opportunity to visit the State Institution and one of the greatest State Fairs in the world, free to you. You can not miss it.

This will be an opportunity that you may not have seen again. Twelve boys can win and will be sent.

## SECRETARY VINING OUTLINES HIS PLAN

For Free Trips to State Fair for Twelve Mercer County Boys Under Age Twenty.

Brain and muscle, the best fertilizer. Boys use it and show the result to the people at the Banner Fair.

Conditions of Trip

The Mercer County Agricultural Society will pay all expenses for a 3 days' visit to the State Fair as described herein, to the twelve boys who make the best farm exhibit at the Banner Fair. A space will be given each boy, \$8.10, in which he may show everything produced on the farm on which he resides, except fruit.

Each boy will be required to arrange his booth to suit his own taste. Applicants must notify the Secretary and secure their booth by July 1. Write to the Secretary for application blanks and information as to the exhibit. Do this now.

Schedule

The party will be under a competent guide and leave Celina on Tuesday, September 2, 6 a. m. Will arrive in Columbus 10 a. m. Will visit State House and Governor's office in the forenoon. In the afternoon visit the Ohio Penitentiary and Home for the feeble-minded. Evening, 8:30, theater.

Second Day—State Fair, day and night. Third Day—Will visit the Hartman Farm in the forenoon. Will leave for home 4:30 p. m.

All boys admitted to this contest under twenty. Girls not barred.

This trip will be declared off unless we have twenty applications by July 1. Boys, get busy. This will be a trip that you may not have the chance to make soon again.

S. J. VINING, Sec'y.

## SUCKERS BITE ALL THE YEAR ROUND

[Ottawa Sentinel.]

"Suckers will bite in the winter time as well as in warm weather." This remark was made by a farmer who lives less than a dozen miles from the county seat. Signing up notes and agreeing to pay a cheap price for groceries and other goods bought of farmers is unprofitable business for the farmer.

A man goes out and offers a rosy bargain, and the farmer forgets his old reliable home merchant, and swallows the bait, hook, and line. Signs up an agreement, which is as good as a note, and then sticks because the sucker never sends him any goods. He ought to take his medicine without making faces.

This practice has been reported to the Sentinel. The home merchant barely makes a living. Few ever get rich. They are honest and in the long run will wear the best.

The shyster goes about giving two or three purchases a bargain. Delivers the goods. Waits a few days for his bait customers to tell their neighbors what a bargain they got. The shyster re-appears in the community. Everybody bites. Everybody sorry soon after. The merchant in the home town has got to make good. The shyster gives a bargain on one or two things and robs on others.

The shyster comes into town at night sits around smoking ten cent cigars, drinking high balls and laughing at easy money and easy suckers, and in a few days moves on to the next county. A stranger always gives you less for your money than any body else. One man who recently joined the sucker class asked that his name be not put in print.

Tax Disbursements

County Auditor Morrow has completed his February settlement of tax collections and the distributions are now being made to the various corporation, township and school treasurers.

The distribution of the corporation funds are as follows: Coldwater \$2,190.68; Rockford \$4,080.13; Montezuma \$55.99; Ft. Recovery \$285.10; Batesville \$32.81; St. Henry \$1,234.60; Celina \$11,270.12; Chickasaw \$271.08; Mendon \$1,202.96.

The distribution of the township funds are as follows: Coldwater \$2,798.37; Butler \$2,255.16; Center \$1,225.20; Dublin \$1,910.67; Franklin \$932.73; Gibson \$574.25; Granville \$1,703.99; Jefferson \$2,951.15; Liberty \$998.53; Marion \$1,478.63; Hopewell \$1,635.29; Recovery \$1,410.79; Union \$1,725.28; Washington \$2,246.24.

Blackcreek Township Man Adjudged Insane

George Custer, of Blackcreek township, was adjudged insane before Probate Judge Randaugh Wednesday and taken to the State Hospital at Toledo by Sheriff Fisher. Mr. Custer attempted to commit suicide, and in other ways showed his mind was unbalanced.

Funeral services were held at the M. E. church, with Revs. Lance and Woodruff in charge. Interment at North Grove.

Mrs. Simon Young, aged 68 years, who was a resident of Center township until the death of her husband about a year ago, died Wednesday morning at the home of her daughter, near St. Marys.

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